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What's new in citizen science training: from open science to public engagement

27 October 2021, 11:00 am - 12:35 pm CET, online

YouCount: A 3-Minute Pitch

EU-Swafs Project that runs from February 2021-January 2024

Coordinated by Oslo Metropolitan University

11 Partners across Europe

YouCount

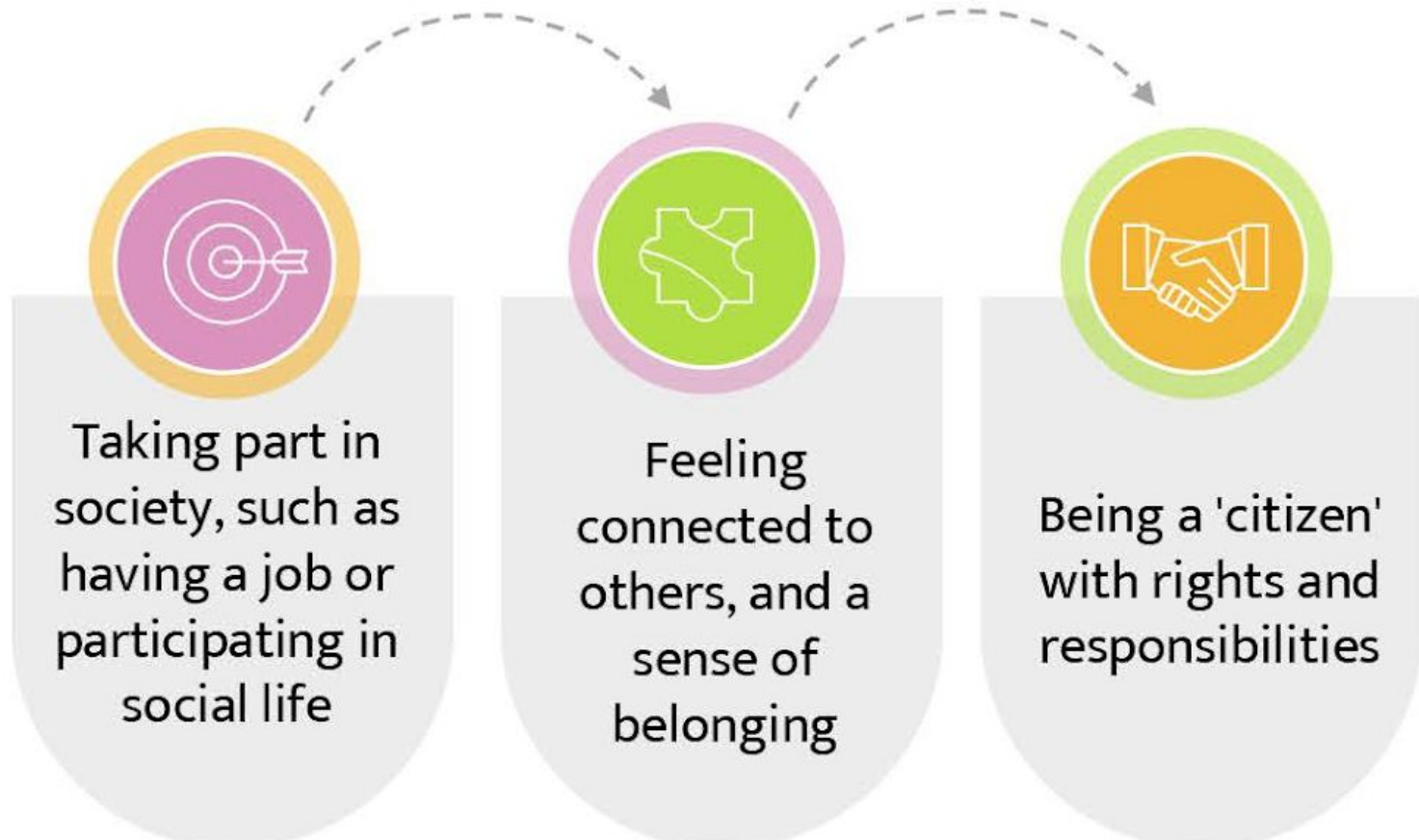Europe faces the challenge of increasing social inclusion for young people

Kick-off meeting of Spanish Case at University of Deusto

What is social inclusion?

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Feeling connected to others, and a sense of belonging

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Is that so?

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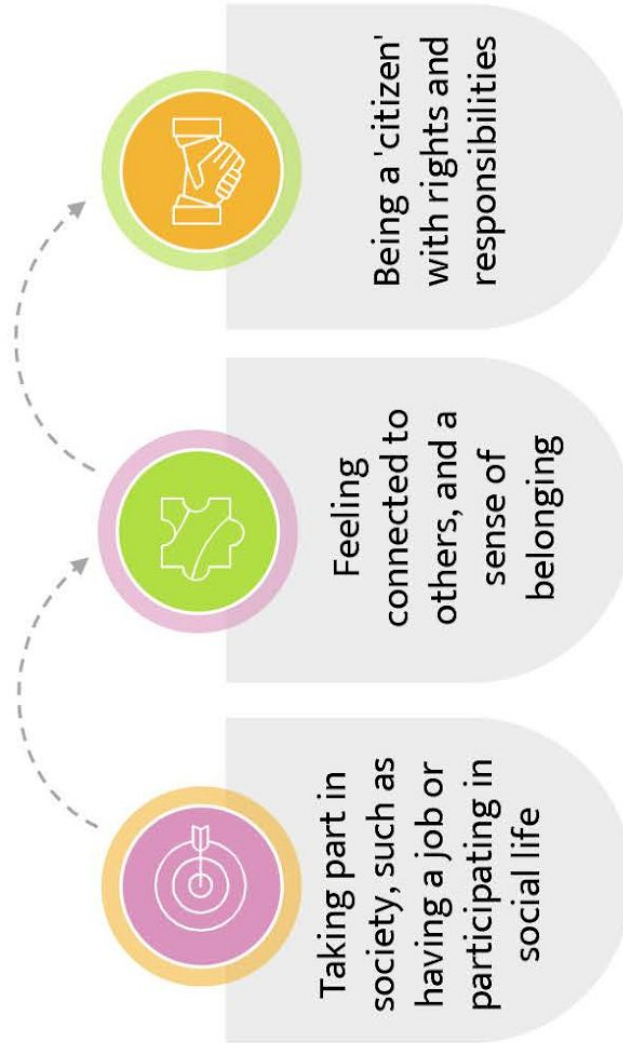
- Young people know more than anyone about their own lives, hopes and dreams

- What does social inclusion mean for them?

- What are their lived daily experiences of inclusion and exclusion?

Our objective

Increase youth social inclusion in Europe

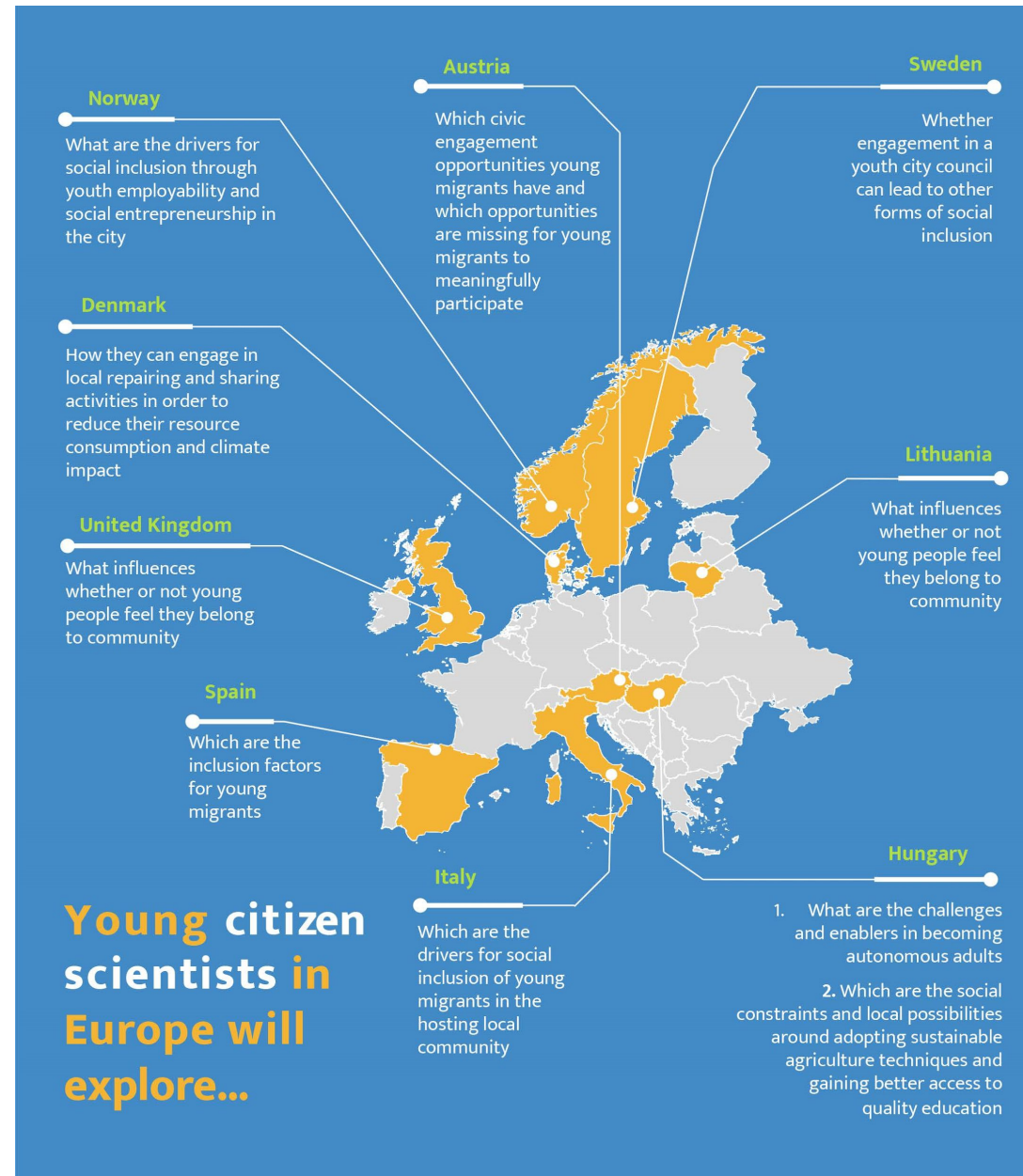**Through Citizen Social Science**

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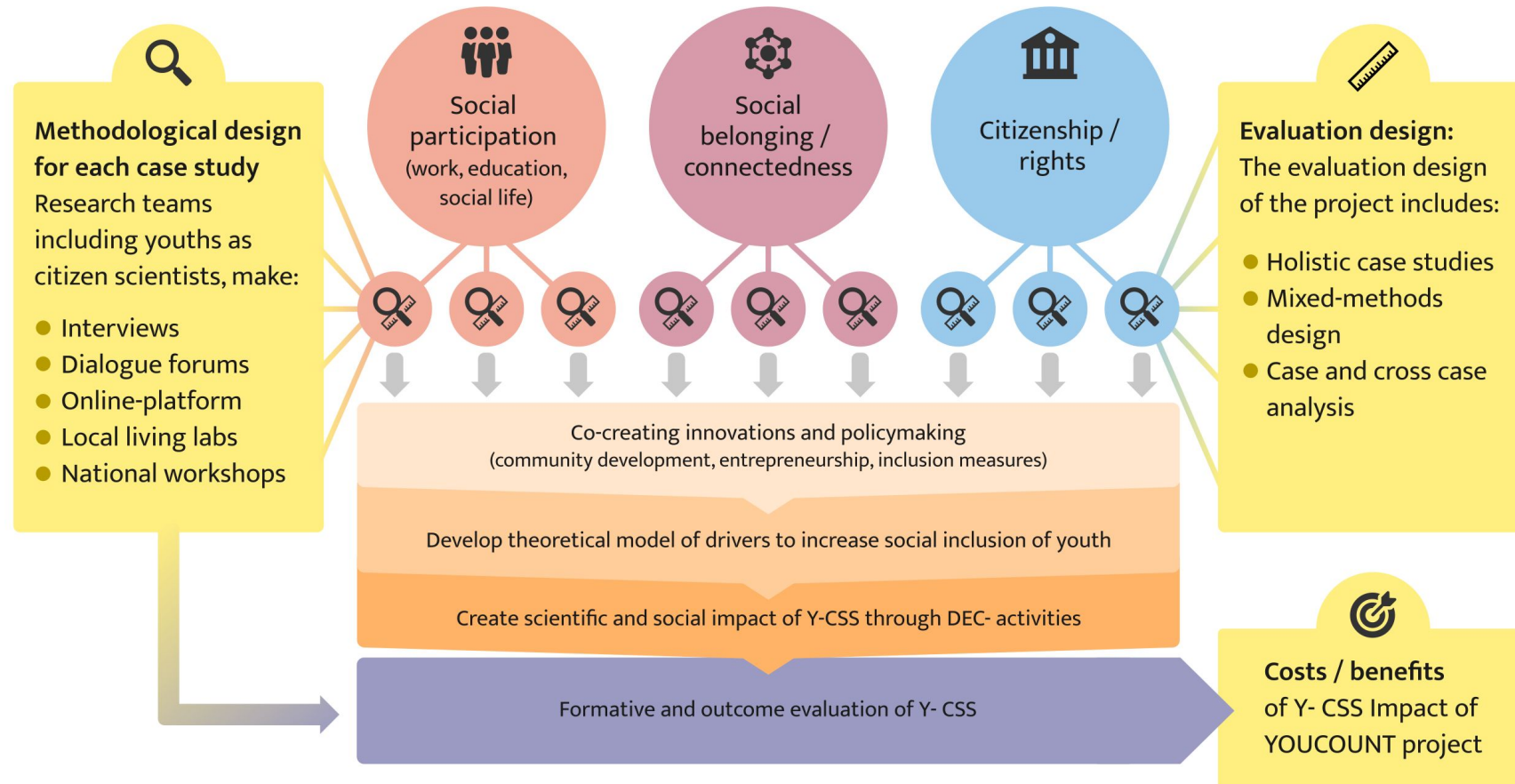
10 Case Studies

– Our young co-researchers:

• Aged 18-30 years

• Young people in general

• Young people experiencing poverty, migration, disability, low education, unemployment…

Norway
What are the drivers for social inclusion through youth employability and social entrepreneurship in the city

Austria
Which civic engagement opportunities young migrants have and which opportunities are missing for young migrants to meaningfully participate

Sweden
Whether engagement in a youth city council can lead to other forms of social inclusion

Denmark
How they can engage in local repairing and sharing activities in order to reduce their resource consumption and climate impact

United Kingdom
What influences whether or not young people feel they belong to community

Lithuania
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Spain
Which are the inclusion factors for young migrants

Italy
Which are the drivers for social inclusion of young migrants in the hosting local community

Hungary
1. What are the challenges and enablers in becoming autonomous adults
2. Which are the social constraints and local possibilities around adopting sustainable agriculture techniques and gaining better access to quality education

Young citizen scientists in Europe will explore…

Hands on CS activities of YOUCOUNT

MULTIPLE CASE STUDY

Methodological design for each case study
Research teams including youths as citizen scientists, make:

- Interviews
- Dialogue forums
- Online-platform
- Local living labs
- National workshops

Social participation (work, education, social life)

Social belonging / connectedness

Citizenship / rights

Evaluation design:
The evaluation design of the project includes:

- Holistic case studies
- Mixed-methods design
- Case and cross case analysis

Co-creating innovations and policymaking
(community development, entrepreneurship, inclusion measures)

Develop theoretical model of drivers to increase social inclusion of youth

Create scientific and social impact of Y-CSS through DEC- activities

Formative and outcome evaluation of Y- CSS

Costs / benefits
of Y- CSS Impact of YOUCOUNT project

Some current challenges: Read about them in our BLOG!

- How can we reward young co-researchers?

- How to involve them in all the stages of the research process when they have not been recruited?

getting involved in activities and initiatives aimed at improving their local community experience and making their community more liveable

We are fan of lotteries for long term contributions! Prizes can be decided by the group, contextualized to each country.

Collective rewards is good: for the common good of the local community/ youth groups

Social events

its always great when people have the possibility to choose what they can get, vouchers, cash, presents, donate, etc

vouchers, trips

when and how often should we give rewards?

in Vienna, we can't hire the CSs with contracts, so we need to think about other forms of rewards

training/learning + fun (e.g. arts-based activities, social events)

rewards given after certain efforts/levels?

Source: Some ideas we collected during the meeting.

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Community of Interest
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Community of interest

Welcome to a community of interest in youth citizen social science topic under the project YouCount - Empowering Youth and Cocreating Social Innovations and Policymaking through Youth-Focused Citizen Social Science.

YouCount seeks to establish a network of academic, business, non-governmental and government organizations, working in the field of youth social inclusion, social innovations and citizen science, to be informed about the events and results of the project, and, most importantly, to explore opportunities for mutual learning, synergies and/or active collaboration.

Institute for Global Prosperity, UCL
The Institute for Global Prosperity (IGP) is a research and teaching institute, at University College London. The IGP was founded to rethink prosperity for the 21st Century, particularly to push beyond GDP growth as a measure of prosperity by working towards locally-specific, broader understandings of what makes a good life. The IGP works in partnership with communities, businesses and local governments around the world, to develop local measures of prosperity, which can

Citizen Science as an Innovative Form of Citizen Participation for Welfare Society
This project aims to explore the potential of citizen science as an innovative form of engaging citizens in solving social problems of local communities and to develop recommendations for governmental institutions and other stakeholder groups. Objectives of the project:
(1) To actualize the concept of citizen science by analysing scientific literature and documents, highlighting the potential of

Lithuanian Citizen Science Association
The Citizens' Science Association has been operating in Lithuania since April 2020. Main activities of association:
(1) The association seeks to bring together researchers and practitioners to study and engage in citizen science; (2) The association acts as a communication and coordination center for the growing citizen science community; (3) The association organizes science popularization events, presents research and citizen science projects; (4) The association works closely
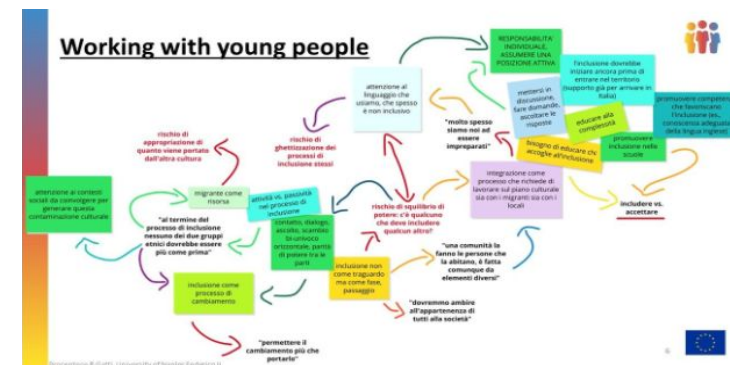
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Thank you

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